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**PETITION FOR REVIVAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR PATENT ABANDONED UNINTENTIONALLY  
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First named inventor: Seth A. Foerster

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Application No.: 09/781,793 *09/781,793*

Examiner: Andrea Ragonese

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Filed: February 12, 2001

Art Unit: 3743

Title: Method and Apparatus for Attaching Connective Tissues to Bone Using Knotless Suture Anchoring Device

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**APPLICANT HEREBY PETITIONS FOR REVIVAL OF THIS APPLICATION**

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- (1) Petition fee;
- (2) Reply and/or issue fee;
- (3) Terminal disclaimer with disclaimer fee – required for all utility and plant applications filed before June 8, 1995; and for all design applications; and
- (4) Statement that the entire delay was unintentional.

1. Petition fee

- Small entity-fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (37 CFR 1.17(m)). Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.  
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2. Reply and/or fee

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B. The issue fee and publication fee (if applicable) of \$1000.

- has been paid previously on April 26, 2005.  
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